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: Marcotte et al.

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PETITION TO REVIVE APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.137(b)

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR §1.137(b) to revive the abovereferenced patent application, which went abandoned on September 15, 2001 for failure to respond to a non-final Office Action on the merits mailed March 15, 2001.

Enclosed is 1) a postcard; 2) a check for \$640 in payment of the petition fee by a small entity as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(m); 3) copy of Associate Power of Attorney and Change of Address first expressed mailed to USPTO on January 15, 2002, and faxed to Tina Plunkett on February 6, 2002.

The Office Action mailed March 15, 2001, was never received by Fish & Richardson P.C. Applicants were not aware that any Office Action had been issued or that the application had gone abandoned (on September 15, 2001) until they received the Notice of Abandonment mailed February 27, 2002.

Applicants submit that the entire period of delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of this grantable petition was unintentional.

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Applicants have been in telephonic communication with the Examiner Shubo Zhou and Tina Plunkett of AU 1631, and have requested a copy of the Office Action mailed March 15, 2001. Ms. Plunkett has indicated that as soon as the file is located at the USPTO they

will fax a copy of the office action to our office.

If any additional necessary charges are needed please apply them, and apply all credits, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (858) 678-5070.

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